

**As Introduced**

**135th General Assembly  
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**S. R. No. 293**

**Senator DeMora**

**A RESOLUTION**

Honoring the Upper Arlington High School girls swim team  
as the 2024 Division I State Champion.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 135th General Assembly  
of Ohio are pleased to applaud the Upper Arlington High School girls  
swim team on securing the 2024 Division I State Championship; and

WHEREAS, A remarkable group of young athletes, the members of the  
Upper Arlington High School girls swim team have combined talent and  
spirit with the highest ideals of good sportsmanship to establish  
themselves as truly exceptional competitors. With admirable  
dedication, the Golden Bears have worked diligently toward attaining  
ultimate proficiency in swimming, and as a result, they compiled 313  
points to win this year's Division I State Championship, their first  
state crown since 2017 and their thirteenth such title in program  
history; and

WHEREAS, The Golden Bears' achievements and leadership are a  
justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection on the  
swimmers, their families, their school, their community, and their  
coach, John Sands. In leading his team to victory, Coach Sands has not  
only helped the athletes to develop their talents to the fullest but  
also instilled in them a valuable sense of determination,  
perseverance, and camaraderie; and

WHEREAS, With athletic competition playing such an important role  
in the total education of our young people, we are extremely pleased  
to pay tribute to these exemplary athletes and their outstanding coach  
for a job well done. The maturity and experience the team members have  
gained through their participation in sports will greatly aid them in  
meeting the challenges of the future; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 135th General 26  
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, commend the Upper 27  
Arlington High School girls swim team on its state championship and 28  
extend best wishes for ongoing success; and be it further 29

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 30  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to the Upper Arlington High 31  
School girls swim team. 32